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CERMS OF THE STANDARD.

MONE TEAR, IN ADVANCE, WITHIN THE YEAR. AT THE EXPIRATION OF THE YEAR, 3 00 fore the storm. In this case we are told there was a large family of children, all if made within three months after subscribing who were providentially saved. No paper will be discontinued, (unless at the option of the publisher,) until all are

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From the Buffolo Courier. INCIDENTS OF THE FLOOD. There were many bair bredth 'escapes of families and individuals in the latestorm and flood, the particulars of which, if all could be collected and given, would make a volume of exciting interest .-Among the incidents of this kind we have leard the following:

Two families of the name of Wilson and WESTON, resided on the south side of the Buffalo creck, above the Marine rail way, in a couple of adjoining cotta they saw it increase without alarm, feeling satisfied that they were beyond its reach, their dwellings occupying the highest ground on that side of the stream -Sana, however it washed the basement of meir houses, and came splashing over the floors. Both families now collected in one of the buildings, and waited the issue with some suxiety, though as yet put alarm. But higher and higher ni rose the flood, and from the chairs and tables on which they stood to get above it, they were soon driven to seek other refuge. Breaking through the sealing over head they passed up into the ittle garret and flattered themselves that their retreat would be secure, but the pursuing flood soon invaded it, and they were forced to seek a still greater slava. tion. With much difficulty they broke an opening through the roof and as a last resort clambered upon the top of the building. Scarcely however had they done this when the house tumbled beneath them and they were committed to the mercy of the elements, and launched a drift upon the raging and boiling flood.

The families consisted each of a husband, wife and infant child, all in their night dress. It so chanced that when the building fell, the families were upon the opposite sides of the roof which parting at the ridge left each a section to high their perilous serve as a raft, upon w navigation commenced. They were soon separated, and each supposed the other was entirely lost. Both were borne sale ly however, scross the creek, and over large portion of the flats, making over a mile of the most tearful midnight voy eging that ever man, wife and child underwent. They passed buildings where they could see families safe in their secand stories, to whom they vainly shrick. ed for aid, which it was impossible to render.

One of the rafts at length approached so near the dwelling of Mr. Gates, that he was enabled to render assistance, and had the pleasure of rescuing from their dangerous situation three human beings who proved to be intimate friends and neighbors. The imagination of the teader must be left to picture the joy that was felt at this remarkable deliverance.

The scresms of fellow beings in distress, heard in the terrors of such a night above the dashing of the mad flood and the howling of the wild storm, reached Mr. Jacob Bants, residing in the same vicinity, and the appeal was not to be resisted. He dashed out into the swelling deluge and at the peril of his own life succeeded in rescuing the other of the two families, at a period when death dwelling place of the "Willey family;" deed, they were not merely imaginary, seemed inevitable. They had lost their and the scene of that wonderful and proved quite insufficient to afford him the footing upon the raft and barely kept their heads above the water by the aid of a few floating staves and fragments of loose boards. Besides this they were just upon the brink of the little Buffalo creek, and in a moment more would have been past aid. When he thus risked his lite to save these hapless human beings, it was in entire ignorance of who they were .-There was a double gratification in finding that they were friends and neighbors, and that the horband was one of his most trusted workmen, whose fate, with that of his family, he had supposed to be already and mournfully decided.

Each of the two families thus providentially saved, remained until the next the other was lost, and the joy of their discovery that both were rescued, may be imagined but not expressed.

and alarm. They had taken sheeter on and her four children were sitting in that . The hardy mountain forester was puz-she reef of their dwelling when it was bedi-cottage awaiting the return of her huz- sled. 'Suppose it were a slide! What

finally landed at the hydraulies nearly a

mile and a half from where it stood be-There were doubtless other instances

of a like kind, and large as the loss of life has been, the guiding care of Providence is seen in the fact that comparatively so many were preserved, a large number under circumstances of the extremest peril.

The office of Messra Bidwell & Banta made a similar voyage acress the Big Buffalo Creek, bringing a valuable though less precious cargo, viz: their iron safe. It was brought safely over the creek, and dropped on the flats between Ohio and Eik streets; the office thus lightened of its buiden, continuing its voyage to the they had always accompanied the numer-Hydraulics or that vicinity. A large grindstone was left in like manner near the Iron chest, having been brought across the creek by some similar means.

From the Columbian Magazine . THE WILLEY HOUSE. A TRUE TALE OF THE WHITE MOUNTAIN NOTCH.

BY JAMES F. OTIS.

The melancholy fate of a well known family, whose picturesque residence was in the very midst of the White Mountain range in New Hampshire has formed the subject of more than one attempt of the poet and romancer. But the simple parrative, with no other adornment than the truth itself, may not prove less it terestng to the reader than either poetry or romance; for it is one of those instances in which "Truth is stanger than fiction."

It was in the year 1836 that I was journ

neying with a large party of travellers through that extraordinary pass in the mountains of New Hampshire which is called "The Notch." As we entered it, the rain, which had just before been falling our way among the bases of high mountains' springing upward from the level on which we stood, and burying their lefty peaks in the clouds that still hung in dark and heavy masses above them. The mist, thinner than the dense ing upward and downward along the luw er levels of the many hill sides in wreaths sing a series of the most picturesque landscapes, like the shifting of scenery in our whole journey. We had come to been all the morning traversing, and found ourselves entering a broad, circular valley at the base of the wide mountain range, which rose amphitheatrically all around us as far as the eye, looking on either side, could reach. Green mea dows, with here and there a few trees, with some attempts at cultivation, were visible in the valley, as the eye took in the landscape that lay stretched out before us; and in the midst of the whole there can a noisy and shallow stream, which struck us all, however, as being unusually broad and and rapid in its flow. We had listened, the evening before, to the tale of that swift torrent, and now we gazed upon it in silent awe.

The dark hill sides, bounding our view on either hand, were deeply indented with | with some more obstructions in the road the paths that many mighty avalenches while on foot than he had seemed to de had traversed. At the foot of one of when mounted, a short time before, he the highest and most corrugated of these, and standing closely upon the road side, our guide pointed out to us the former appalling catastrophe, the memory of which throws such a deep melancholy over this devoted valley, was full before

"An everlasting hill was torn From its eternal base, and borne In gold and crimsoned vapors drest, To where a household are at rest!

The mountain-sepulcre of hearts beloved! The cottage stood; while the monarch trees Leaned back from the encountering breeze, As the tremendous pageant moved!

The mountain forsook his perpetual throne, Came dom from his rock, & his path was shown. In bareness and rula, where The secret of his yower lies bare. Hisrocks in nakedness arise! His desolation mack the skies !"

The "Wiley house" stands, as I have said; at the foot of one of the leftiest of ed Willey's,' replied the traveller. 'It We have heard of another family, the the White Mountains, with a small, natu- was far leuder than the other, and conname not learned, who made a similar ral knott throws up directly in its rear .- tinued much longer, like thunder echeing voyage on that night of fearful disaster in the summer of 1826, a young woman among the mountains."

and a bright wood fire burned merrily upgiving the little cabin a cheerful aspect. Suddenly a loud rumbling noise, like the muttering of distant thunder, but shorter and more abrupt, was heard. As the cottage trembled with the concussion of air occasioned by the shock, the good woman, (who was singularly fair and beautiful, it is said,) doubtiess remembered that such noises had not been unusual that season, and, moreover, that eus slides winch were constantly occurring among those mountains. She put her sleeping babe into the bed in the ad joining room, and resuming her knitting, sat down once more to await her husband's return.

It was about an hour after this that a single horseman was taking his solitary way down the mountain pass I have described. Feeling somewhat chilled as he came in sight of the raddy glow that was thrown from the windows of the Willey cottage, he abandoned his intention of pushing on to the lower Crawford's that night, and dismounted at the door of the bouse, which was standing wide open. No one answering his call, as he held his bridle in his hand before the cottage, he determined to stable his horse himself; and for this purpose he crossed the narrow road in the direction, as he had reas son to remember very well, of the barn belonging to the Willeys. But no such building was there. Perplexed with doubts, the traveller tied his horse to a stake in the fence beside the cabin, and

There stood the table in the middle of the floor, the candle burning brightly, and the fire blazing cheerily upon the hearth. ing in torrents, abased and enabled us to But nothing living met the eye, or great-observe minutely the features of the glo- ed the ear of the stranger excepting a rious scenery around us. We were wind- cat, which was playing with a ball of worsted attached to some knitting work that seemed to have been thrown or dropped carlessly upon the floor. A feeling of horror, he could not tell why, crept over the wayfayer as he gazed upon the scane. Where were the members of clouds that filled the upper air, was curl- the family for whom all this comfort had to publish the following startling commubeen prepared-nay, some of whom had, nication. It comes from a high respecas he could plainly perceive, within a table citizen of Monroe county, whose of fantastic shapes, displaying in succes- few short moments, been sujoying it !- letter, with the spurious ticket enclosed, There was no human habitation, he well will remain in our office for inspection, knew, within many miles, and the near. The ticket, it will be seen, has the leaeral admiration excited by the scene of I which he had left more than an hour bevaried beauty, we became aware of our fore in "The Notch." He had ridden over near approach to a point which, we had the only road between the two points and obviously for the purpose of deception been told at our last stopping place, we had met no one. He went into the should find one of the most interesting sleeping room adjoining the apartment he had first entered. There was the bed, a sudden turn among the hills we had the covering thrown down to the foot, and the traveller observed that the bedding had been pressed but slightly, and, as he thought he could surely perceive, by ne other form than that of an infant .-There were two other rooms in the cot. tage, into both of which he went, but no sign of human inhabitant was visible.

Me returned in the open air. The night was star-lit and clear. The air was cold and bracing, although it was in July. The stranger walked forth a few paces into the road. He had been in the habit of travelling over it once every year, but he remembered only its more preminent features; yet he thought that the little river or brook which ran in the valley was noisier than he had ever before known it to be, and as he had me: thought, too, that there was some change in the level of the highway since he was last there. But these changes, if, inleast clue of the inystery that was every moment becoming more and more intolerable to him. He threw himself once more upon his saddle, and rode rapidly back to the younger Crawford's in 'The Notch.' Having told the latter the story of his inexplicable adventure, he remounted, while the son of the forest cal. led up his men, and all taking horse went down to the valley without loss of time.

Did you hear any noises, stranger, like the fall of slides from the bille, as you rode along, to night? asked Tom Crawford of the traveller.

'Yes, one,' was the reply; 'one, since that you recollect we both heard, just as I was leaving your house, at dusk. "When did you hear the second report?"

said Crawford. About twenty minutes before I reach-

ly lifted and swept away by the flood, and | quad and their father from the plain above then? The people gone, and nothing dethe 'Notch,' where his duties had detain- strayed!' Thus rausing, he reached the od him until a later hour than usual. The catrance to the valley, at the head of the night had fallen, and the surper table excited party. It imme listely became was spread in readiness for the arrival of evident to the practiced eye of the mounthe master of that simple family. It was, taiseer that an avalanche of unusual though in midsummer, a chilly evening, extent had fallen from the lofty peak which towered toward the clear midon the hearth, and sided the beams of night sky, directly in the rear of the cotthe candle which stood on the table, in lage. It was dark, and he could not discern minute objects, but it was easy to perceive that a huge heap of gravel lay agross the road in front of the house, and it soon appeared obvious to Crawford that the barn, which steed exactly opposite to the cottage, had been carried away by the slide. Passing on a few steps below the house they could perceive that a portion of the mass of earth had fallen on the lower as well as the upper side of the cottage, and that the two had reunited their tremendous forces nearly in front of the unharmed habitation!

The party emered the house. Every thing, even to the quiet slumbering of the unconscious animal that lay upon the hearth, was as calm and still and death like as when left by the stranger some hours before. And no human life was there.

'They have fled from the avalanche, to seek shelter in the valley,' suggested the traveller.

'Yes, they have gone down to the tent! exclaimed his companion. 'Why didn's think of that before? The tent! the tent! I know where it is. They set it up on purpose, fer these slides are happening, at this time of the year, almost every day; and this summer they have been more frequent than ever. So Willey had a tent put u down by the brook.

But no tent could be found! The brook was now a swift and turbulent flood, and was flowing a bread, resistless stream, over the site of the camp of refuge; and all who had fled thither were lying cold benath its waves; while the cottage, whence the lost ones had fled for safety, was standing there in the still, clear night, safe and unharmed.

It stands there to this day. But its door remains ever open, and still no human life is there!

> From the Pennsylvanian. ANOTHER FORGERY!

What will not Philadelphia whiggery condescend to-false, intriguing, bribing, FORGING WHIGGERY! We stop the press cratic electoral ticket, and names from the whig ticket inserted between, and fraud.

This last device of the Philadelphia fund mongers is more dangerous than any which has preceded it. We have no fears that the domocrats of the State can be bribed, but they may be cheated. Mr. Cox may be more successful than Mr. Reed.

'STROUDSBURG, Oct. 23, 1844. "Dear Sir: The whige of Philadelphis have sent to this county the follow. ing electoral ticket. You will perceive it is a fraudulent one, containing part of the democratic electors, and part of the whig

ELECTORS. Wilson McCandless, Asa Dimock, George F L hman, Christian Kneass, William H Smith, John Hill, \*John Killinger, Banjamin Frick, Jesse Sharp, \*Alexander E Brown, William Heidenreich, \*Samuel Shaffer. Stephen Baldy, George Schunble, \*Daniel M Smycer. \*William A Irvin, James Woodburn, \*John D Ninesteel, \*Daniel Washabaugh, "James Mathers, \*Andrew W Loomis, Andrew Burke, John L Gow, Christian Myers, Robert Orr.
'Three packages of those tickets were

sent from Philadelphia to a federalist in this county, to be distributed in Monroe Common wealth.

'I, therefore, wish you to give the indemocrats be not deceived .

Yours, respectfully, M. M. DIMMICK.

Cox a merchant of Philadelphia, to a Mr. stone 560 feet in width, 3600 feet in Eadburn, of this place, for distribution.

\*These names marked with a star are from the whig ticket.

THE FORGED BIRNEY LETTER AND AFFIDAVITS.

The Liberty Herald, of Cincinnati, denounces the Birney letter and affidavits, which first appeared in the Journal of bis city, a forgery, and gives clear evidence of the fact. But fraud and forgere are the weapons of Clay whiggery.

We copy the fellowing paragraph from long article in the Herald. There is no doubt that the whole is a clear whig Roarback! What can be thought of a party that looks for success by such means?

The Herald says: "A word before closing as to G. B. Garland. Why Edoes he omit to say in his affidavit that the letter, of which he furnishes a copy, was in the handwriting of Mr. Birney? Why did he not make his affidavit in Saginaw, the place of his residence, instead of Gennessee? Why did the Ed.tor of the North Star, the Democratic paper of Saginaw, refuse to publish the letter, if it is true as alleged, that Mr. Birndy imposed on the Democratic Convention by a false profession? Why does Mr. Garland, a democrat of Saginaw, had it necessary to get the Whig Coun ty Committee of Cennesse to certify to h s character? How happens it that they certify that he is "a member of the Pres byterian Church in good standing in this villinge," (that is, Flint, in Gennersee county,) when he himself says he was a member of the Democratic Convention of Saginaw, and must therefore have been a citizen of that county? Finally, how much credit is due to a certificate signed 'A, P. D vis' when we find the same A. P. Davis asserting, in a letter to the New York Tribune, that Mr. Birney's inveterate hostility to Mr. Clay, graw out of the fact of his marriage into the Mar shall family! When, in truth, he never married into the family at all, and all its members, except perhaps two or three, are known friends to the election of Mr.

THE FORGERY EXPOSED-LOCK AT THE FORGERS-WHAT NOW! From the Albany Atlas. JAMES G. BIRNEY.

The following letter was handed to the editor of the Evening Journal, on Wednesday last for publication. The next day a garbled extract appeared in upon the stage. In the midst of the gen- est, by more than one half, was that one ding and closing names copied from the the Jeurnal, misrepresenting Mr. Birney other particulars, so as to in the way of capital. As the Journal is in the liabit of assailing its political eppenents, and then refusing them a reply. I request a place for Mr. Birney's letter in your paper.

Rome . Oneida co., Oct. 21, 1824. To the Editor of the Evening Journal:

In your paper of the 15th inst., I find the following:-"It is notorious that James G. Birney is a free trade man, and irrecenciably hestile to the whig docurine of a Protective Taria, and that; before being an abolitionist, he acted with the la colocos."

So far from having said or written anyhing from which it could be infered that I am what is generally understood by a 'free trade man,' I have published as extensively as I could, that I am in favor of continuing the existing tariff as long as it shall be found beneficial to the country. This you might have learned from the Liberty party papers. I have never acted with the democratic party, nor am I aware that I have ever been charged of doing so, except of late, by certain whig prints which persist in circulating the falsehood, notwithstanding I contradicted it some two months ago in the Detroit Advertiser, in which it first appeared. 1 acted with the whig party till 1836, when finding it equally as the democratic par-Post. ty, unworthy of trust, I terminated my connection with it. Both of these par ties are under the control of the slave power-the most formidable enemy of free institutions. Respectivity, free institutions. JAMES G. BIRNEY.

tional Intelligencer contains a long letter frem Mr. Pickett, at Lima, commenting upon discoveries of very extraordinary

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AND INTERESTING DISCOVERIES .- The Na-

kind will be sent in different parts of the Judge Neito is represented to be of good, and recognize the different members of standing, both pesonally and officially the family by their fontsteps. It whise we are bound to repose full faith in his the family by their fontsteps. It whise formation to our friends, so that the declarations, otherwise great doubts quite fond et sacred mosic. In early life would be thrown over his statements - it was a little wild, and a good deal giv. Judge Neite writes to the prefect of the en to profene sweering, but for some time Department, that is making a survey of it has laid saide this habit, and have one

length, and 150 feet high. This edifice being solid in the interior for the whole space contains I within, 5.376,000 fert of circumference, which it has to the before mentioned height of 150 feet, is solid and levelled, and upon it there is another wall 300,000 feet in circumference in this form, 600 feet in langth, and 500 feet in breadth, with the same wleva. tion (150 feet) of the lower wall, and, like it, solid and levelled to the summit. In this elevation, and also in that of the lower wall are a great many habitations or rooms of the same bewn stone, 18 feet long and 15 wide, and in these rooms, as well as hetween the dividing walls of the great wall are found nearly constructed niches a yard or two thirds in length, and a half a yard broad and deep. in which are found bones of the ancient dead, some naked and some in cotton shrouds or blankets of very firm texture, though coarse, and all worked with berders of different colors. If this description is 'anthentic-and we have no reason to doubt it -this must be the greatest building in the world in point of size .-We know of nothing in Egypt or Persia to equal it. From the description it must have been a vast tomb, but whether arected by the Indians, before the Spanish discovery, or by remoter generations cannot be decided; yet the Judge says that the ingenious and highly wrought specimens of workmanship, the elegance of cutting some of the hardest stone the inganuity and solidity of the gigantic work, all in stone; the slegant articles of gold and silver, and the curiously wrought sones found in the mounds all satisfy him that that territory was occupied by an enlightened nation which declined in the same manner as others, more modern. as Babylon, Balbec, and the cities of Syria, and this he says is the work of people from the old world, as the Indians

had no instruments of iron to work with. We consider it the duty of liberal governments to appoint Commissioners, properly organized, to explore all the continent of South America, and in particular to penetrate the vallies in the Cordilleras. Great discoveries are yet to be made there.

WELL ANSWERED.

An oldGerman democrat, recently was constantly assailed by a whig with whom he was working to vote for Henry Clay, Our old German answered nothing excent he would think of it.

Some days after the while again asked him whether he had not yet determined to vote for Clay. But our old German gave him the following most excellent answer.

"I have been in this country seven years and I know Mr. Clay does not want my vote, until I have been in this country twenty one years. I am therefore determined to vote with the democracy until I shall have been in this couniry twenty-one years; after that perhaps I may vote for Henry Clay.—Albany Argus.

CATHING A TARTAR .- We are told by an eye witness, that on board the steamboat Raritan, coming from Perth Amboy this morning, Mr. Bruen of Amboy called the male passengers together in the forward cabin, where he proceeded to speek on what he called "the all-impertant topics of the day," and made a regular whig speech of three quarters of an hour in duration. Col. Arnold, a democrat of this city, who happened to be in the cabin, tose as Mr. Bruen closed his speech, and briefly replied, when it was proposed by somebody that a vote should be taken. The result was this: For Polk and Dallas

Henry Clay When the result was announced by the te'lers, three hearty cheers were given for Polk, Dallas, and Victory-the effect of which was that no attempt was made to cheer poor Clay .- New York Evening

It is said that Henry Clay's letter re's pudiating Cassius, overtook Tom Corwin, who is stumping in Ohio, and speaking after the manner of Cassius. Tom swore that he would not make another speech in favor of Henry, until he stopped wristing letters.

AN OLD ONE .- There is in the possession of a Dutch family in Albany, a ruins said to have been found by Judge parrot known to be 82 years old. The Neite in the Province of Chuchapoyas. bird is now blind, but yet it can walk to and Pike. No soubt tickets of the like while on an exploring expedition. As any part of the house without difficulty N. B.—I have succeeded in getting the country he found at Coulspa build casional fits of viciousness, the outbreaks one of these enclosed tickets, and enclose it. These tickets were seat by a Mr. which he describes as a wall of hewn and exemplary bird.—[Bost. Transcript.